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SUBJECT: SECURITY COUNCIL AND NAMIBIA: VORSTER SPEECH OF
MAY 20 - TRIPARTITE DEMARCHE

REF : USUN 1693

1. AT MEETING MAY 22 FRENCH AND UK REPRESENTATIVES AND
DEPT OFFICERS AGREED (AD REFERENDUM TO LONDON AND PARIS)
THAT THREE MISSIONS IN NEW YORK SHOULD MAKE APPROACHES TO
SELECTED REPS IN CORRIDORS MAY 23 ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:
(UK AND FRENCH REPRESENTATIVES WILL PROVIDE SEPARATE
INSTRUCTIONS TO MISSIONS IN NEW YORK.)

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A. WE WOULD LEAVE TO MISSIONS IN NEW YORK TACTICAL

DECISIONS ON WHICH MISSIONS TO APPROACH AND ASSIGNMENT OF VARIOUS APPROACHES. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THERE SHOULD BE MEETING WITH AFRICANS AS A GROUP OR THAT THREE MISSIONS SHOULD MAKE JOINT REPRESENTATIONS. SUBJECT TO YOUR DISCRETION WE THINK IT COULD BE USEFUL FOR ALL THREE MISSIONS, INDIVIDUALLY, TO MAKE VIEWS KNOWN TO PRESIDENT OF SECURITY COUNCIL. IN OTHER INSTANCES MISSION ASSIGNED PARTICULAR REPRESENTATION SHOULD BE ABLE TO SAY, DEPENDING ON RECEIPT OF APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS, THAT VIEWS PRESENTED ALSO SHARED BY OTHER TWO MISSIONS.

B. OBJECTIVE OF APPROACHES WOULD BE ATTEMPT TO DISSUADE AFRICAN NON-PERMANENT SC REPRESENTATIVES FROM PRESENTING RESOLUTION CALLING FOR SANCTIONS.

2. WE WISH TO AVOID FOLLOWING IN APPROACHES:

A. CONCENTRATION ON VORSTER SPEECH. WE DO NOT WANT TO BE IN POSITION OF CHARACTERIZING ELEMENTS OF SPEECH AS POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE NOR APPEARING AS ADVOCATE FOR SAG.

B. TRIPARTITE DEMARCHE. WE DO NOT BELIEVE WE SHOULD RELEASE LANGUAGE OF DEMARCHE AT THIS TIME IN ORDER TO AVOID FOCUSING AFRICAN ATTENTION ON CONTENT OF TRIPARTITE APPROACH RATHER THAN ON SOUTH AFRICAN POLICIES.

C. WE SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO SUGGEST AT THIS STAGE ELEMENTS WHICH MIGHT BE INCLUDED IN A RESOLUTION.

3. APPROACH SHOULD FOCUS ON OVERALL SAG APPROACH TO NAMIBIA ENCOURAGING AFRICANS TO TAKE CONSTRUCTIVE VIEW OF SAG POSITION ON NAMIBIA. IN THIS CONNECTION WE SHOULD DESCRIBE SAG POSITION AS CONTINUING TO EVOLVE IN A FAVORABLE DIRECTION ON NAMIBIA PROBLEM. AN SC SESSION SHOULD ENCOURAGE AND STIMULATE ANY EVIDENCE OF SOUTH AFRICAN FLEXIBILITY AND REFERENCES COULD BE MADE IN THIS CONTEXT TO POSITIVE ELEMENTS IN VORSTER'S NEWEST APPROACH AS EXAMPLES OF DIRECTIONS WE WISH TO ENCOURAGE, E.G. VORSTER OVERTURE TO OAU AND OFFER TO RENEW DISCUSSIONS WITH REPRESENTATIVE OF SYG. PRESENTATION SHOULD
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EMPHASIZE THAT COMMON SENSE VIEW OF SITUATION WOULD RECOGNIZE THAT NAMIBIA (OR SAG'S POLICY TOWARDS NAMIBIA) IS NOT A THREAT TO PEACE AND THAT EFFORT TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS WOULD NOT LIKELY BE EFFECTIVE AND WOULD DISCOURAGE CONTINUED EVOLUTION OF SAG POLICY.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE MISSION REPORT OF RESULTS OF CORRIDOR DISCUSSIONS. INGERSOLL

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